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FOR NEA/ATHERTON FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJ: RABIN VISIT

1. I ASSUME THAT WE WILL BE GETTING A WRAP UP ON THE RABIN VISIT TO CONVEY TO THE SYRIANS. I HOPE THAT IN THAT MESSAGE MENTION COULD BE MADE, DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE SECRETARY, OF APPRECIATION FOR SYRIA'S ROLE THUS FAR IN CALMING DOWN THE LEBANESE CRISIS.

2. I HAVE BEEN STRUCK HOW QUICKLY THE CRITICISM OF OUR SC VETO HAS BEGUN TO DROP AWAY IN SYRIAN MEDIA. A PERSONAL WORD OF APPRECIATION, IF HE FEELS IT APPROPRIATE, RE LEBANON WOULD BE MUCH APPRECIATED BY ASAD AND KHADDAM AND FURTHER WARM THINGS UP FOR REOPENING DISCUSSIONS OF NEXT STEPS.
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